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NOTE TO: DDCI
FROM: C/NIC
SUBJECT: NIC Support to General Gorman

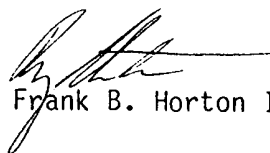
Bob,

You have seen Paul Gorman's note to you about his involvement in a working group on Integrated Long-Term Strategy. Gorman is particularly interested in key challenges to US interests from the Third World over the next two decades. This obviously includes but is by no means restricted to an interest in LIC. Gorman had suggested that we help him prepare a few thoughts on these matters, with Gen. Nichols orchestrating the effort.

On reflection, Graham and I felt that this project was of broader interest to the NIC beyond its benefits to Gorman directly and beyond GPF's focus on military matters. For example, we are preparing a NIE in the Spring on ten potential challenges to the international order which, while not likely, are plausible, and would have major implications. Gorman's interest in long-term global thinking directly relates to that and other Estimates we have on the docket, many involving the AG. We, therefore, would like to involve ourselves a little more broadly and deeply in preparing some thoughts for Gorman's use, to include particularly involving the AG.

Consequently, Graham will be chairing a brainstorming session with most NIOs next week to come up with some thoughts on this matter. We will send the results to you and the DCI as well as provide them to Gorman. Steve Nichols will be an active participant in this group and will -- as requested by Gorman -- attend meetings outside the building on this issue, along with Kate if that can be arranged.

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